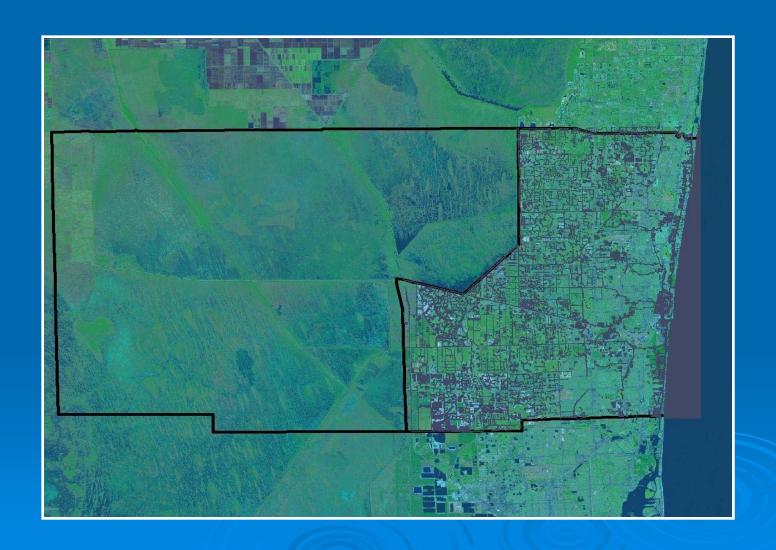
# Water Quality Everglades and the Urban Environment

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# **Broward County**



#### Protecting the Everglades

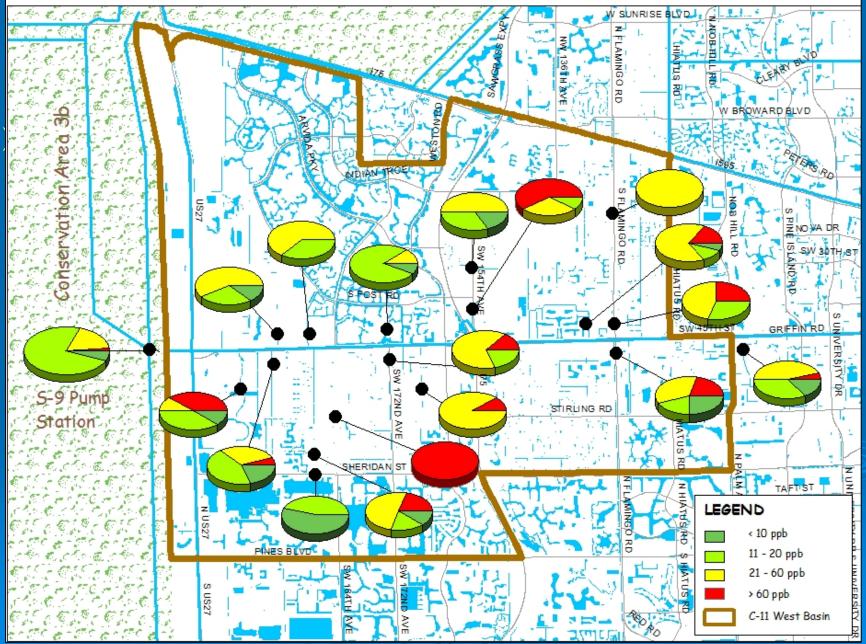
- Broward County is a primary source of urban discharge and phosphorus loading to the Everglades water conservation areas
- Nutrient criterion for Everglades is established at 10 ppb phosphorus.
- To meet this target, reductions in phosphorus pollution and loading to the county's surface waters must be a priority.





#### Phosphorus (ppb) - 2004





## Aerial of the S9 Pump Station



## Discharges at the S9



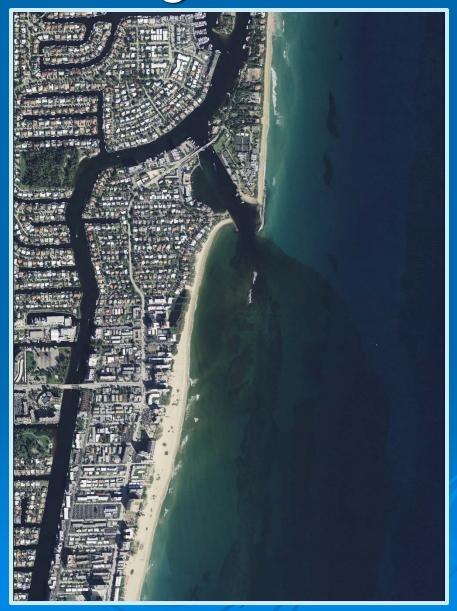
## Protecting our Reefs

- Freshwater discharges are a major source of nutrients to coastal waters affecting water quality and habitat.
- Nutrients support algal growth and blooms, reducing light penetration and degrading reef health.
- Nutrient loads from inlets are thought to be orders-of-magnitude greater than those associated with the ocean outfalls.





# Tidal Discharge – Hillsboro Inlet



#### Our Canals Connect Us





#### Land Use Influence on Water Quality



#### Pump Station that Discharges to the C-11



#### Gravity Discharge to the C-11



#### Floating Sediment Barrier



#### Discharge to C-11 and Site of New Sump



#### Wet Retention Water Quality Treatment



#### Wetland Water Quality Treatment



# Add more opportunities...



# Stormwater Management

- Provides drainage and flood protection
- Reduces the total volume of stormwater discharge
- Provides water quality treatment

When managed well....

# ...We all Benefit

